

## House Resolution No. 3077

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives wholeheartedly believe that a successful marriage forms a firm foundation for a lifetime of happiness and security and wish to salute an outstanding Missouri couple whose union confirms that philosophy; and

**Whereas**, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Foster, cherished residents of Lamar, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary on May 2, 2004; and

**Whereas**, joined in marriage before the eyes of the Lord on May 1, 1954, Howard Foster and Betty Thompson began their lives together as husband and wife after a memorable wedding ceremony at the Southeast Church of Christ in Washington, D.C.; and

**Whereas**, a proud father and caring husband who dutifully served his country in the United States Marine Corps, Mr. Foster provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones through employment opportunities in accounting and the ministry; and

**Whereas**, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Mrs. Foster enjoyed her family immensely and further distinguished herself as a civil servant in Washington, D.C. for ten years; and

**Whereas**, Howard and Betty Foster attribute their fifty years of wedded success and happiness to their strong sense of faith and family, the foundation upon which they have planted the seeds of their love and respect for each other in the generations to come which include their two children, Russell Foster and Karen Gilmartin; and their six grandchildren; and

**Whereas**, throughout their blissful union, Howard and Betty Foster have remained devoted life partners and have put forth a tremendous amount of effort to ensure the sanctity of the vows they took so very long ago:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in a thunderous round of applause for Howard and Betty Foster upon the glorious celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary, and in wishing them tremendous peace and contentment as they proudly continue their journey along life's path; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Howard Foster.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Ed Emery  
District No. 126

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3077, adopted May 14, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker